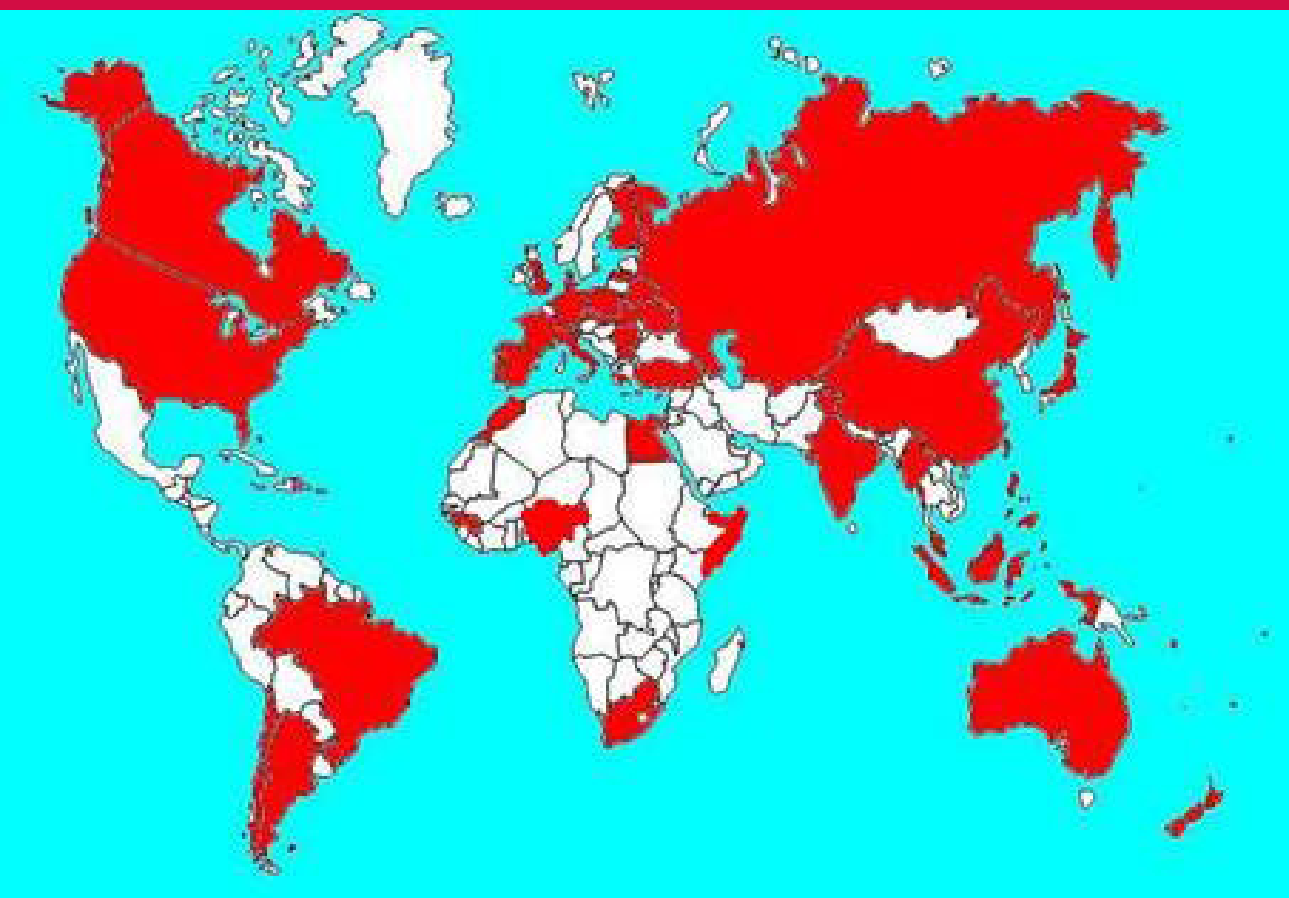


# Ohio Transfer of Knowledge



Unloading of 40ft container at Cavite University in Philippines; Ockerman Hall in the background



Locations where books have been sent



Students in the Philippines

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## Purpose

The purpose of this project is to send books to international Ohio State alumni for their university libraries. This ongoing initiative has been in existence for approximately 40 years.

Initially shipments went by mail (braille and large print books still do) but now other shipments go by 20 or 40 foot containers containing approximately 36,000 to 72,000 books (30 to 60 tons) which are shipped twice a year.

## Impact

To date 1,611 shipments of books have been sent to 393 locations. For example, 11 container loads have been shipped to different universities in the Philippines. The estimated value of books, based on their last sales price, is in excess of \$862 million.

To show their appreciation Professor Ockerman has received two honorary university degrees and has three international university libraries named after him, made an honorary, lifetime member of an international university alumni association, and an honorary member of three Rotary clubs in two countries.

## Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved

OSU Libraries including Regional Campuses  
A variety of departments

## Community Partners Involved

Half Price Books  
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Retired Professors  
Community members  
Ohio State students  
Ohio State faculty



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